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CHARLESTON, IL--Dr. Alice Koenecke, a 1958 Eastern Illinois University graduate, is the 1983 recipient of the School of Home Economics' "Outstanding Alumnus Award."

Dr. Koenecke was Chairman of the Department of Home Economics at Murray State University from 1969 to 1982. Last fall she returned to fulltime teaching at Murray State.

The award and a \$100 honorarium will be presented to Dr. Koenecke at a recognition banquet on May 1. Her name will be placed on a permanent plaque for display in the School of Home Economics.

Dr. Koenecke, a native of rural West Salem, Ill., and a graduate of West Salem High School, received the Livingston C. Lord Scholarship, the most prestigious academic award given, while a student at Eastern.

She has been president of Kappa Omicron Phi, national honor society; president of the National Council for Administrators of Home Economics; and president of the Kentucky Home Economics Association. She has also served on a number of national committees in the field and is a member of numerous other professional organizations.

Dr. Constantine W. Curris, Murray State president, said: "Alice has been a stellar leader on this campus, raising academic standards, developing an exterior scholarship program, participating on search committees and in campus-wide functions. I know of no individual who has made a greater contribution to the total development of Murray State University."

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Alice Koenecke

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Dr. Koenecke in 1978 was named Citizen of the Year in Murray and Mayor Holmes Ellis said her "civic contributions to Murray have made this a better place to live, work and raise a family."

She holds the M.S. degree from the University of Illinois and the Ph.D. degree from Southern Illinois University and has taken additional graduate courses at New York University and Texas Tech University. Dr. Koenecke began her teaching career at Murray State in 1960.